

☐ Essential Questions

What is the Cost of Freedom?

☐ Unit Questions

Could the Civil War have been avoided?

Who was to blame for the Civil War?

☐ Student Objectives/Learning Outcomes

- ☐ Explain how Southerners viewed slavery
- ☐ Identify similarities and differences between the North and the South before the Civil War.
- ☐ List and explain the events that led to the annexation of Texas.
- ☐ Describe the reasons for the Mexican War.
- ☐ Defend why the Wilmot Proviso led to conflict with Mexico.
- ☐ Explain what was accomplished by the Compromise of 1850.
- ☐ Justify Stephen Douglas's proposal of the Kansas-Nebraska Act.
- ☐ Explain why violence erupted in Kansas in the mid-1890s.
- ☐ Summarize how slavery affected national politics in this period.
- ☐ Describe the problems caused by the Lecompton Constitution.
- ☐ List the important issues discussed in the Lincoln-Douglas debate.
- ☐ Explain how John Brown's raid increased tensions between the North and the South.
- ☐ Label the Election of 1860 and explain how it demonstrated a split between the North and the South.
- ☐ List the concerns of the Lower South that led to secession from the Union.
- ☐ Identify the event that started the Civil War.